

THE WATER WORKS CONTRACT.

There is nothing in it which justifies Mr. Gruse's Resolution.

There was considerable talk about town yesterday of the peculiar resolution offered by Mr. Gruse in Council meeting Tuesday night to appoint a committee who with the collector should examine the contract of the city of Wheeling with the Holly company, and report upon the advisability of making any change in the personnel of the water board, without consulting the company. This naturally raised the presumption that there was some reason to consult the Holly company, or at least there might be supposed to be some such reason.

In fact, none exists. Mr. Gruse simply wanted to postpone the election two weeks.

An INTELLIGENCER reporter yesterday asked Clerk Baird, of the water board, if he could see the contract. Mr. Baird said he did not feel at liberty to show it unless authorized by two members of the board.

He said, however, as did Mr. Hall, of the board, at another time, that the contract simply provided that "the supervision of the engines, pumps, pipes, etc., shall be satisfactory to the Holly Co. so long as the title to the work, shall be vested in that company."

Of course nobody can object to any individual or company claiming supervision over its own property. It is expected the last instalment on the new works will be paid in six years.

Mr. Hall said yesterday he did not know any reason for Mr. Gruse's resolution. The board certainly never had any idea that the contract could in any way affect the election of future boards.

POSTOFFICE PLUMS.

Republicans Will Have an Equal Chance with Democrats Hereafter.

A good many people have thought because the President's order placing all free delivery postoffices under civil service rules and control has not gone into actual operation at the Wheeling and, in fact, many other offices, that the incoming Democratic administration will revoke the order and make the postoffice employes plums merely a matter of partisan reward without taking into consideration fitness and ability. This is a wrong impression, as the matter is already in the hands of the civil service commission and will come up for its consideration in a few days, possibly however, after Mr. Cleveland comes into office.

Postmaster Cowden was seen yesterday afternoon by an INTELLIGENCER man, and asked under the rules would go into effect at the Wheeling office. He said they would go into operation here as soon as all the preliminaries were settled by the civil service commissioners, when he would be notified to go ahead with the examination of applicants for positions. The mode of procedure in filling positions in the office will be, under these rules, for the postmaster to select one from the three highest on the roll which is made up after the examinations. It will be seen, therefore, that there isn't much show for rabid partisanship in filling positions, in the gift of the next Democratic postmaster of Wheeling. It is probable, however, that an examination will be held and the local office reorganized before Mr. Cowden's term expires.

Gus Williams.

There is a glow of jollity about Gus Williams, who appears Friday night in a new play bearing the unique title of "April Fool" that makes him invariably welcome. He is one of the old standbys of the theatre-going public. His personality is peculiar in its strength, having the artistic qualities which enable an actor to renew his popularity whenever he chances his play. "April Fool" is said to be exceedingly novel in its construction, giving Mr. Williams a wide scope wherein to display his abilities. The entire fun power of "April Fool" is immeasurably enhanced by an exceptional array of high-class musical comedy artists.

Butchers Elect Officers.

The Wheeling Butchers' Association elected the following officers to serve one year from date, at a meeting held last evening: President, Charles Hoffman; vice president, C. Kalbitzer; treasurer, George Zeeckler; finance committee, C. Kalbitzer and John Dunkle; board of directors, W. P. Meyer, C. Kalbitzer, G. H. Medick, B. Gartner, John Dunkle, Charles Rohrig and J. C. Medick.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

O. C. Davis, of Ritchie O. H., is at the Windsor.

Sheriff Franzheim left last night for Washington City.

O. O. Hanlon, of the Barnesville Republican, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. W. Gallaher, Jr., and Mrs. A. A. Weaver, of Mountsboro, were up yesterday.

Capt. Asa Booth, pilot of the steamer Congo, stopped off this trip to visit Wheeling friends.

D. L. Walker, S. Goller, Jr., N. K. Kennon and C. W. Carroll, of St. Clairsville, were at the Windsor yesterday.

T. A. Orr, of Salem; Robert Hieronimus, of Piedmont, and W. C. Jacob, of Wellsburg, were at the Stamm yesterday.

Jack Glasscock, the famous shortstop of the St. Louis league base ball club, will leave for the Missouri metropolis in two weeks.

N. D. Holmick, of Fairmont, J. H. Moore and wife, of Grafton, and Capt. Charles E. Wells, of Glover's Gap, were Windsor guests yesterday.

Mr. J. R. Campbell, of the Island, and daughter, returned yesterday from a trip to Washington and Baltimore and a visit to relatives in Western Pennsylvania.

C. W. Swisher, of Fairmont, C. H. Craxler, of Clarksburg, G. W. Kotzberg, of Ravenswood, Mrs. Wylie Nichols and Louis Nichols, of Wellburg, are among the Behler guests.

James Gillespie, a well known young man of East Wheeling, has taken a position as night clerk at the Hotel

Windsor. He is an accommodating, intelligent and capable young man, and his host of friends expect to see him rise rapidly.

LOCAL BELIEVINGS.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

Opera House this evening—Hallen and Hart.

Matrons at the Wheeling hinge factory have a very bustling appearance just now. Business is good.

MEETINGS of the Council committees on elections, railroads, ordinances and markets have been called for this evening, for the purpose of organizing.

Cox & Co. yesterday shipped to Wilson Brothers, of Martin's Ferry, a thirty-horse-power vertical engine of the submerged boiler pattern. This firm reports the boiler business brisk.

YESTERDAY was about as fine a specimen of a May day as is often seen. The Democrats are praying that such weather may continue till Saturday. March certainly came in like a lamb.

TEN or a dozen members of the Washington Young Men's Christian Association will be the guests of the association here this evening. A reception will be tendered them at the Y. M. C. A. building.

JAMES KEMPLE's Sunday school class of Chapline street M. E. church will give a social and supper in the Zink building, corner Market and Twenty-second streets, Friday and Saturday evenings. Admission, including supper, 25 cents.

JANITOR HOWELL, of the city building, quit, and Janitor Kileen began yesterday morning. Mr. Howell has been in the building for seventeen years, in both state and city employ, and has made many warm friends in that time, all of whom see him leave with regret.

RUDY BRANT having been appointed superintendent of streets by the new board of public works, resigned his position as hostler at the Eighth ward engine house, and George Elsworth, of that ward, has been appointed by Chief Marshal Healy, of the fire department, to fill the vacancy.

COMMENTING on Rev. Dr. Nourse, who lectures for the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow evening the *New York Christian at Work* says: "This orator—orator in every sense of the word—holds his audiences spellbound for hours under the charm of his graphic, racy diction and restless torrent of sound sense and unimpeachable argument."

In February there was rain on ten days, five were fair, three clear, five cloudy, it snowed on five. The coldest day was February 20, 6 above, and the warmest the 6th, 60 above. The average temperature was 35.2, and last year it was 38.0. The rainfall aggregated 5.89, as against 2.05 in '92. C. Schnepf, the druggist, furnishes the figures.

Bled to Death.

Special Dispatch to the *Intelligencer*.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., March 1.—Michael Baxter, an employe of the Mountain State Gas Company, bled to death this morning from hemorrhage of his home here before assistance could reach him. He was from Pittsburgh, and was well and hearty yesterday.

Begin their Dieting.

NEW HAVEN, March 1.—The Yale crew went to the regular training table this morning. This is the earliest date on record for beginning to diet for the annual race at New London.

MARTIN'S FERRY.

News Notes and Personals from Our Near Neighbor.

Yesterday afternoon the jury in the case of James Y. Patterson against the city of Martin's Ferry for \$5,300 damages returned a verdict in favor of Mr. Patterson for \$500. This, of course, will throw all the costs on the city. The cost of the witnesses was over \$200 and the attorneys fees were about one half this amount. Most people thought Mr. Patterson would get a larger verdict.

Mr. Henry Summerhill and Miss Olive Stead were married on Tuesday evening, at the home of the bride, on Walnut street, by Rev. L. D. Morse.

Miss Annie Myers and Mr. William Stead were the attendants. They left yesterday morning for their future home at Canonsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Owen W. Jones, formerly of Martin's Ferry, now of Middleport, O., has fallen heir to \$1,000 through the death of her uncle, P. R. Bollen, of Memphis, Tenn., according to a Middleport paper.

The county commissioners and taxpayers of Belmont county will meet at St. Clairsville to-day to discuss the funding of the county's indebtedness.

John Burkhardt, who had his collar bone broken by jumping from an electric car during the riot at Etanville a few weeks ago, is able to be out.

The Lillies of the Valley Mission band of the Presbyterian church will give an entertainment and social in the church to-morrow evening.

Rev. E. C. Simpson, of Hamilton, O., well known here, has resigned the pastorate of the U. P. church there to accept a better charge.

The boiling department and sheet mills 1, 2 and 3 at the Standard mill are off on account of a leak in the boilers.

Charles LaDew has accepted a position with McCabe Brothers, on Second street.

Miss Riekey Hildebrand, of Fourth street, is visiting friends at Stoupenville.

Miss Ada Joy entertained a number of her friends at her home last evening.

A fine blooded colt belonging to Mr. A. D. Newland died Tuesday night.

Misses Sue and Ella Barr are visiting friends at Washington City.

The Crescent Quartette has adopted a silver Crescent as a badge.

The Tiltonville pottery will be greatly enlarged in the spring.

Miss Annie Warnock is visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. Dougherty.

Edward Souder has recovered sufficiently to be out.

Miss Ida Fehring is sick with typhoid fever.

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A HAWAIIAN TERROR.

A Sorceress Who Murders Five People in Her Court—Played Her Husband.

New York, March 1.—"With a prospect ahead for the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands there is very little absolute knowledge here of the queer superstitions some of the native islanders indulge in," said a former resident of Honolulu to me the other day in an uptown hotel. "Everyone in this country has a general notion that the natives are superstitious, but with the absurd notions entertained and practices that are permitted so far as the common people are concerned, we have but the faintest conception."

"Here is a case in illustration. It would not be matched, I think, in any superstitions among the North American savages. Pulolo, an old hag, was a Hawaiian sorceress, who claimed to have supernatural powers through the aid of a spirit, known to the natives as Kilikilina."

"She lived on the island of Laui and held a kind of court, where she received the natives, who resorted to her in implicit faith that she could deliver them from evil spirits. Some of her adherents she unlearned as soldiers."

"Pulolo's family included her husband, her brother, her sister and their children. Her family as well as those about her were kept by her in abject terror, and if there was the slightest sign of disobedience to her wishes she threatened to invoke the terrible power of Kilikilina."

"It was just a year ago when the sorceress committed a series of horrible crimes for which she was sentenced to imprisonment for life. Pulolo was a woman of unbridled and fanatical disposition. One afternoon she ordered two of her soldiers to seize her husband and hold him while she beat him."

"She fairly flayed him, and afterward gashed the soles of his feet with broken bottles so that he was unable to walk. The sight stimulated the old hag's brother, Hoopi, to exclaim that Pulolo was not directed by the supernatural powers, but by her own wickedness, whereupon Hoopi also was seized by attendants and held while she burned him horribly with torches, brought at her direction from a house where she had a fire built for the purpose."

"By this time the woman was fairly insane with bloodthirstiness. She turned upon her six-year-old nephew, Kala-lili, and beat him over the head until his mouth and nose bled, his parents standing near by the while."

"The little fellow called to his parents for help, but in vain, for they were either too much afraid or were too superstitious of Pulolo's power to interfere to save him. Pulolo finally put an end to the boy's sufferings by sitting on his head until his neck was bent over and broken. Pulolo then suffocated her sister by thrusting her head into the hot sand and holding her there until she died. The last act of her cruelty was in directing her servants to hold Kahlolaki, who had been her assistant in her murders, while she beat him to death. All the bodies were placed together in a house, which was burned and the bodies cremated."

"It was difficult to learn at the trial the real motives of the sorceress. It is understood among the Hawaiians, however, that Pulolo and her brother-in-law wished to marry, and in order to accomplish her design Pulolo put to death her husband and her sister, while the other murders were perpetrated in order to conceal this intention. Several men implicated with Pulolo were convicted and sentenced to imprisonment."

May be a Strike.

St. Louis, Mo., March 1.—The switchmen's grievance committee of the Washash system have met with a rebuff. Presenting a demand for pay for the dinner hour whenever men were compelled by circumstances to work a whole or part of that hour, they have received from Superintendent McGee a refusal to accede to the request or to recommend to General Manager Hays that it be granted. Grand Chief J. E. Wilson, who came here to aid the local grievance committee, has returned to Chicago.

A Missing Steamer.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Considerable uneasiness is felt for the safety of the new twin screw steamship Naronic of the White Star line, which left Liverpool February 11 and has not been heard from since. It is feared she has met with an accident. The only passengers on board are eighteen cattlemen. The vessel is now a week overdue.

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